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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please find, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(1), the enclosed Form PTO-1449 which contains a list of all patents, publications, or other items that have come to the attention of one or more of the individuals designated in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c). While no representation is made that any of these references may be "prior art" within the meaning of that term under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103, the enclosed list of references is disclosed so as to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

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Since all listed references are either in the English language or are accompanied by a translation into English, no concise explanation of relevance is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3).

Statement of References Previously Disclosed  
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The listed references are not enclosed because, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), they were previously cited by or submitted to the Office in U.S. Serial No. 08/852,744, filed on May 7, 1997, and which is relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1999.

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